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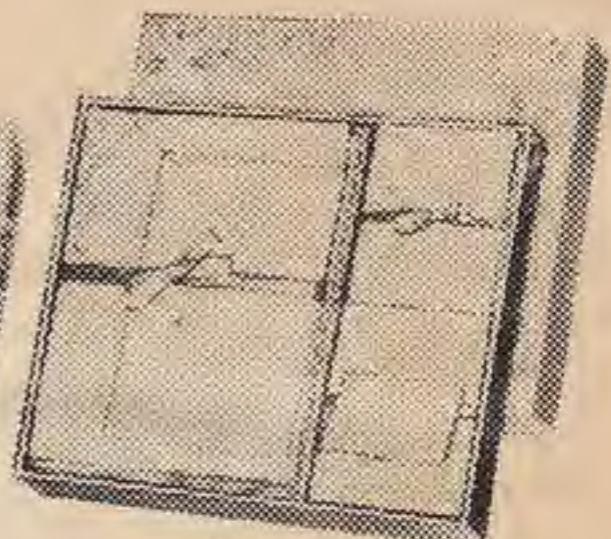
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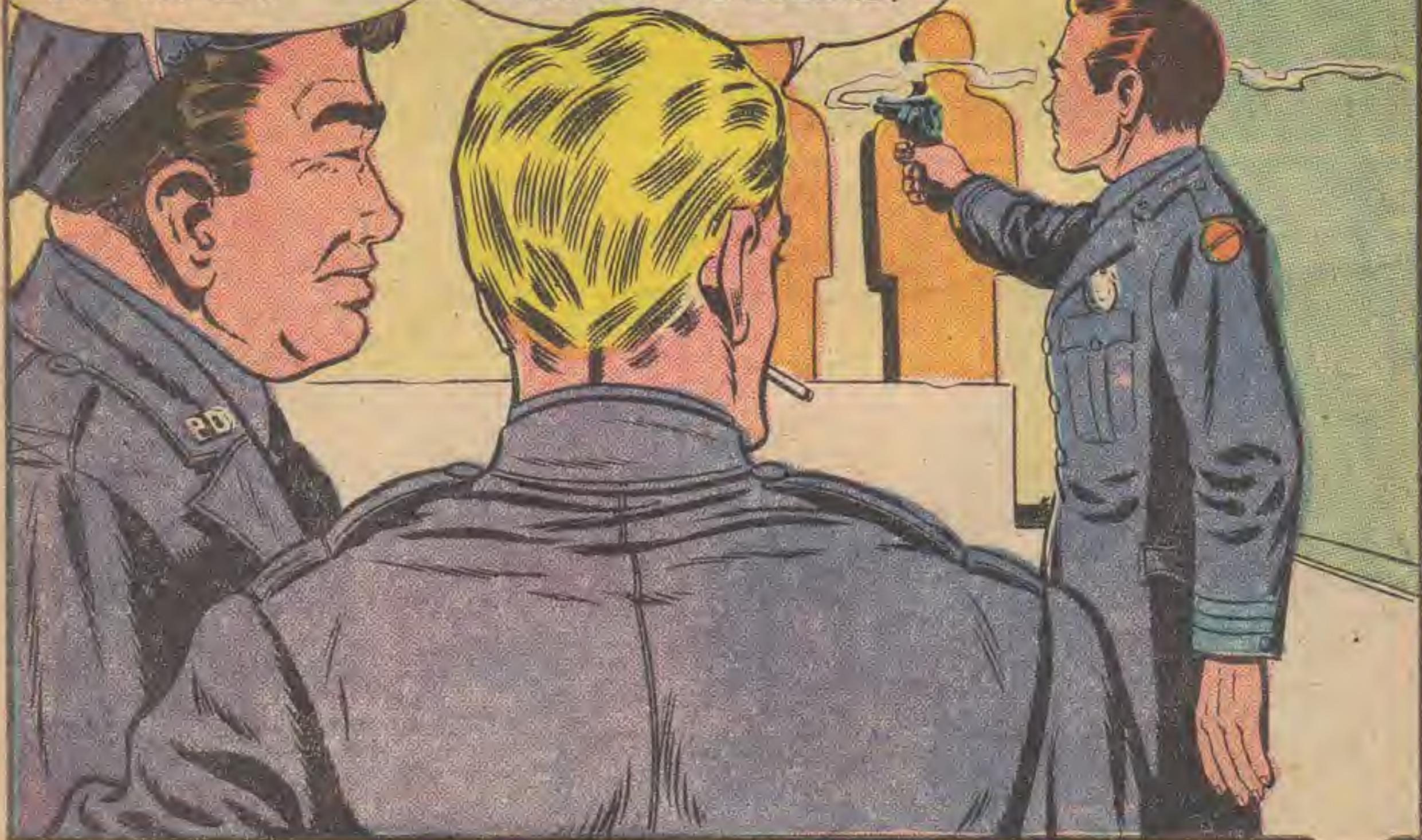
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SOME POLICEMEN TAKE THE JOB FOR SECURITY -- THE PENSION AFTER TWENTY YEARS, THE PAYCHECKS TWICE A MONTH! BUT MORE, MANY MORE, DON THE UNIFORM WITH A MISSIONARY'S ZEAL THAT LASTS EVEN AFTER YEARS OF PAVEMENT POUNDING HAS GIVEN THEM THE DETACHED, LOOK THAT THE PUBLIC SOMETIMES SEES! JOE FORD, PROBATIONARY PATROLMAN, WAS ONE OF THE ZEALOUS ONES! HE WAS A COP, HE WAS PROUD OF IT, AND HE DIDN'T CARE WHO KNEW IT! BECAUSE HE WAS...

The EAGER ROOKIE

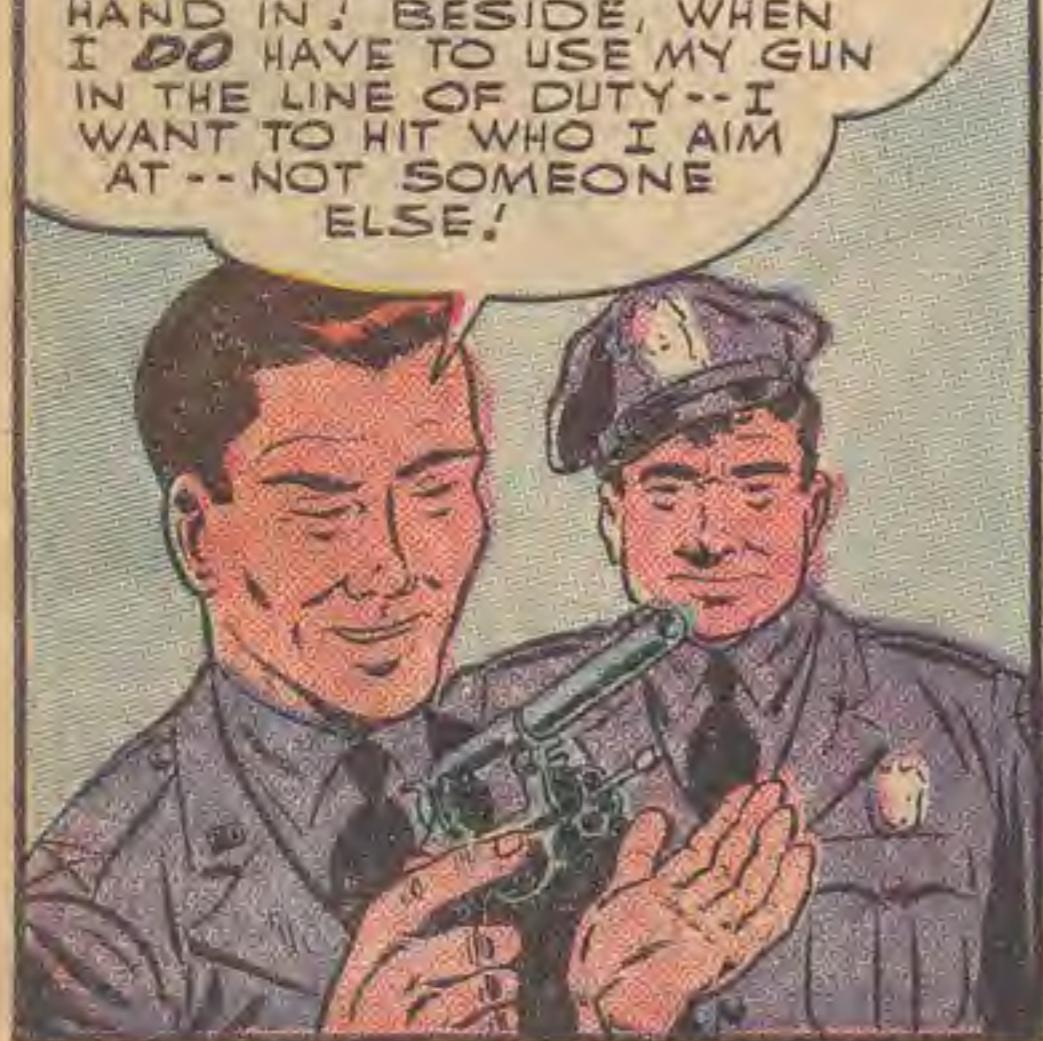
COME ON, FORD! YOU'VE BURNED UP MORE SHELLS THIS MORNING THAN I USE IN A YEAR! YOU'RE A COP, NOT A TRICK SHOT ARTIST!

I USED TO BE LIKE HIM, ARTIE! BUT AFTER A FEW YEARS HE'LL CALM DOWN AND GRIPE LIKE THE REST OF US WHEN HE HAS TO FIRE FOR THE RECORD!



THAT'S WHAT THEY KEEP TELLING ME DOWN AT THE OFFICE, ART, BUT I LIKE TO KEEP MY HAND IN! BESIDE, WHEN I DO HAVE TO USE MY GUN IN THE LINE OF DUTY -- I WANT TO HIT WHO I AIM AT -- NOT SOMEONE ELSE!

YES, THEY RIBBED JOE FORD A LOT... BUT THE ONES WHO DID THE RIBBING RESPECTED HIM AT THE SAME TIME...



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LIKE ALL THE OTHER PROBATIONARY PATROLMEN, FORD WAS ASSIGNED TO A BEAT WITH AN EXPERIENCED OFFICER! JOE'S PARTNER, DAN KERSCHER, DID HIS BEST TO TEACH JOE WHAT EXPERIENCE HAD TAUGHT HIM...



OKAY, BOYS, BREAK IT UP! YOU KNOW YOU CAN'T BLOCK THE SIDEWALK!

AW, GO CATCH A CROOK, WHY DON'T YOU?



DID YOU HEAR THAT KID -- GO CATCH A CROOK! I WISH I COULD!



POLICE WORK IS MOSTLY ROUTINE, JOE! TRYING STORE DOORS AFTER THEY'RE CLOSED, WRITING OUT TICKETS WHEN WE HAVE TO, BREAKING UP FAMILY SPATS, THINGS LIKE THAT! WE'RE HERE FOR THE ROUGH STUFF IF AND WHEN IT HAPPENS BUT YOU'RE LIABLE TO SPEND TWENTY YEARS AND NEVER GET ANY **REAL** ROUGH STUFF! IT'S SAD BUT TRUE, MY BOY, SO ACCEPT IT!



I CAN DREAM, CAN'T I?



THE MOST VICIOUS CRIMINAL ON THIS BEAT STEALS CANDY BARS JUST FOR KICKS, MOST LIKELY!

YOU NEVER CAN TELL! I'LL STILL KEEP MY EYES OPEN!



KEEP YOUR CITY CLEAN

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SO THE WEEK SLIPPED BY... ONE TICKET FOR PARKING, A WARNING TO THE OWNER OF A BLARING RADIO... BUT NO EXCITEMENT FOR JOE FORD...

STOP FIDGETIN' JOE! WE'RE HAVIN' A NICE PEACEFUL DAY!

I KNOW, DAN, BUT I'D LIKE TO DO SOMETHING FOR MY PAYCHECK!

YOU EARN YOUR PAY BY WEARING THE UNIFORM AND BEING READY TO HELP IF NEEDED! WHAT ARE YOU STARING AT NOW?

THAT GUY! HE'S BEEN ON THIS CORNER EVERY DAY THIS WEEK! DO YOU KNOW HIM?



HE'S NEW AROUND HERE! WHAT OF IT?

WELL, WE'RE HERE FOR THE MONEY PICK-UP, AREN'T WE? HE MIGHT BE HERE FOR THE SAME THING!

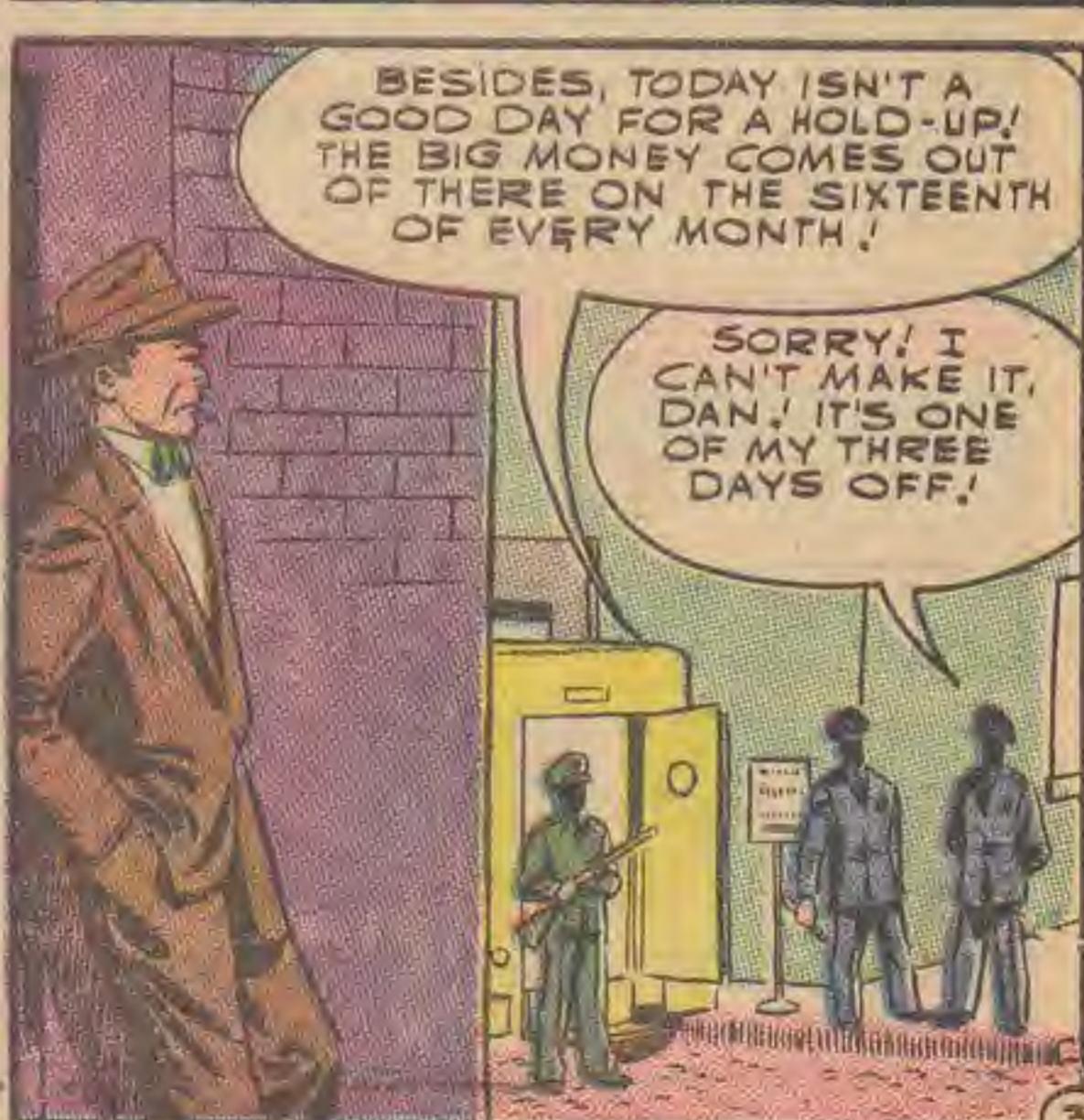
LOOK, JOE, PLEASE FORGET THAT BANG-BANG STUFF! IF IT'S EXCITEMENT YOU WANT, LOOK AT "DRAGNET!" I'M TIRED OF TELLING YOU THAT!



OKAY, DAN! DON'T RACE YOUR MOTOR! I WON'T TALK ABOUT IT ANY MORE!

I DIDN'T MEAN TO SOUND OFF, JOE! BUT YOU HAVE TO GET USED TO THE IDEA THAT WE'RE NOT COPS IN A MOVIE!

BESIDES, TODAY ISN'T A GOOD DAY FOR A HOLD-UP! THE BIG MONEY COMES OUT OF THERE ON THE SIXTEENTH OF EVERY MONTH!



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THE SIXTEENTH ARRIVED... AND DAN KERSCHER WAS MAKING HIS USUAL ROUNDS ALONE... JOE WAS ON HIS SECOND DAY OFF...

WHERE'S THE YOUNG LAD TODAY, DAN?

HE'S OFF... BUT I'LL BET MY PENSION THAT HE'S FIRING ON THE RANGE OR STUDYING... OR DOING SOMETHING CONNECTED WITH THE JOB!

YOU'RE RIGHT, DAN -- HE WALKS THE BEAT EVEN ON HIS DAY OFF! HELLO, JOE!

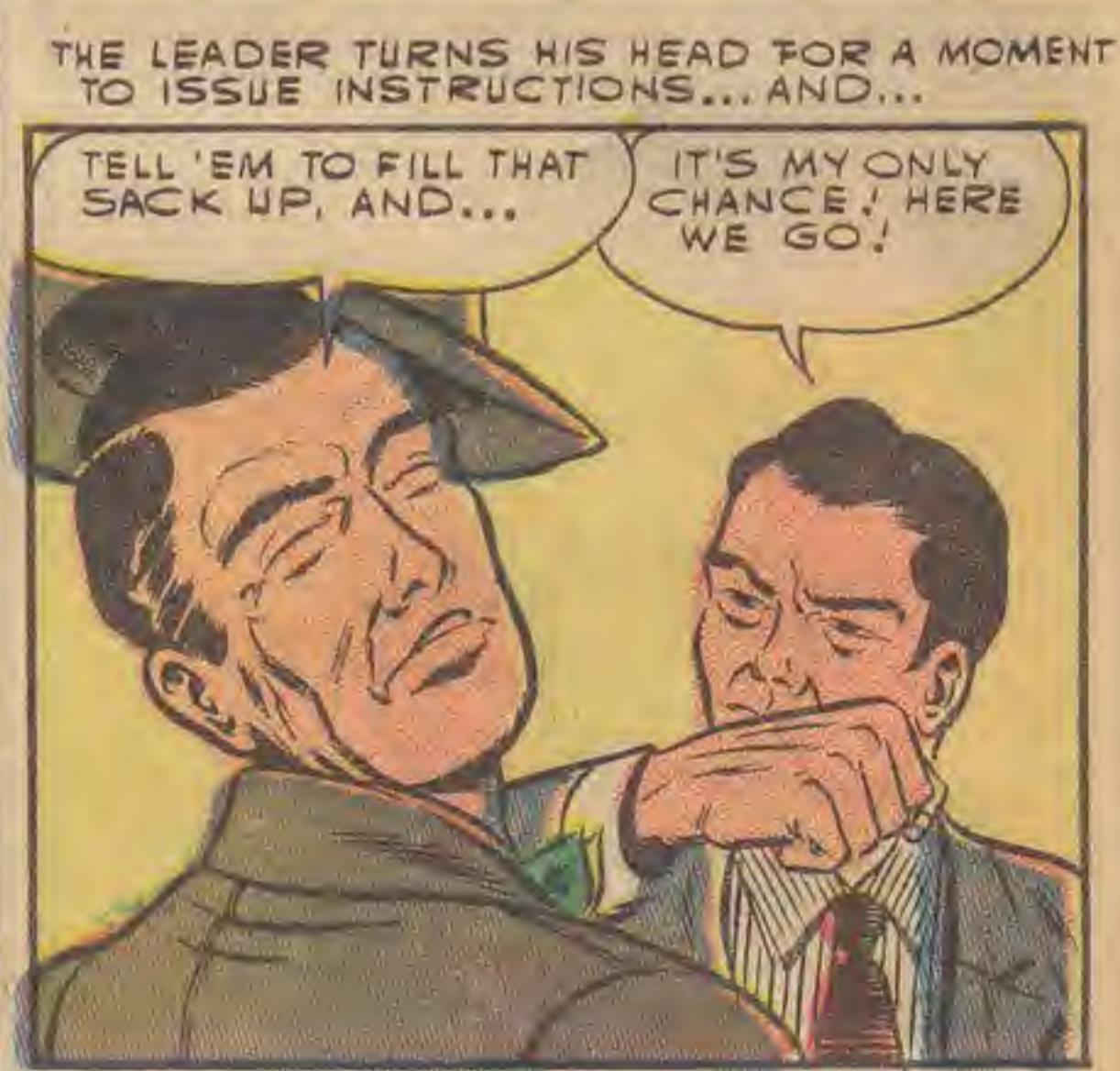
HI! HIYA, DAN!



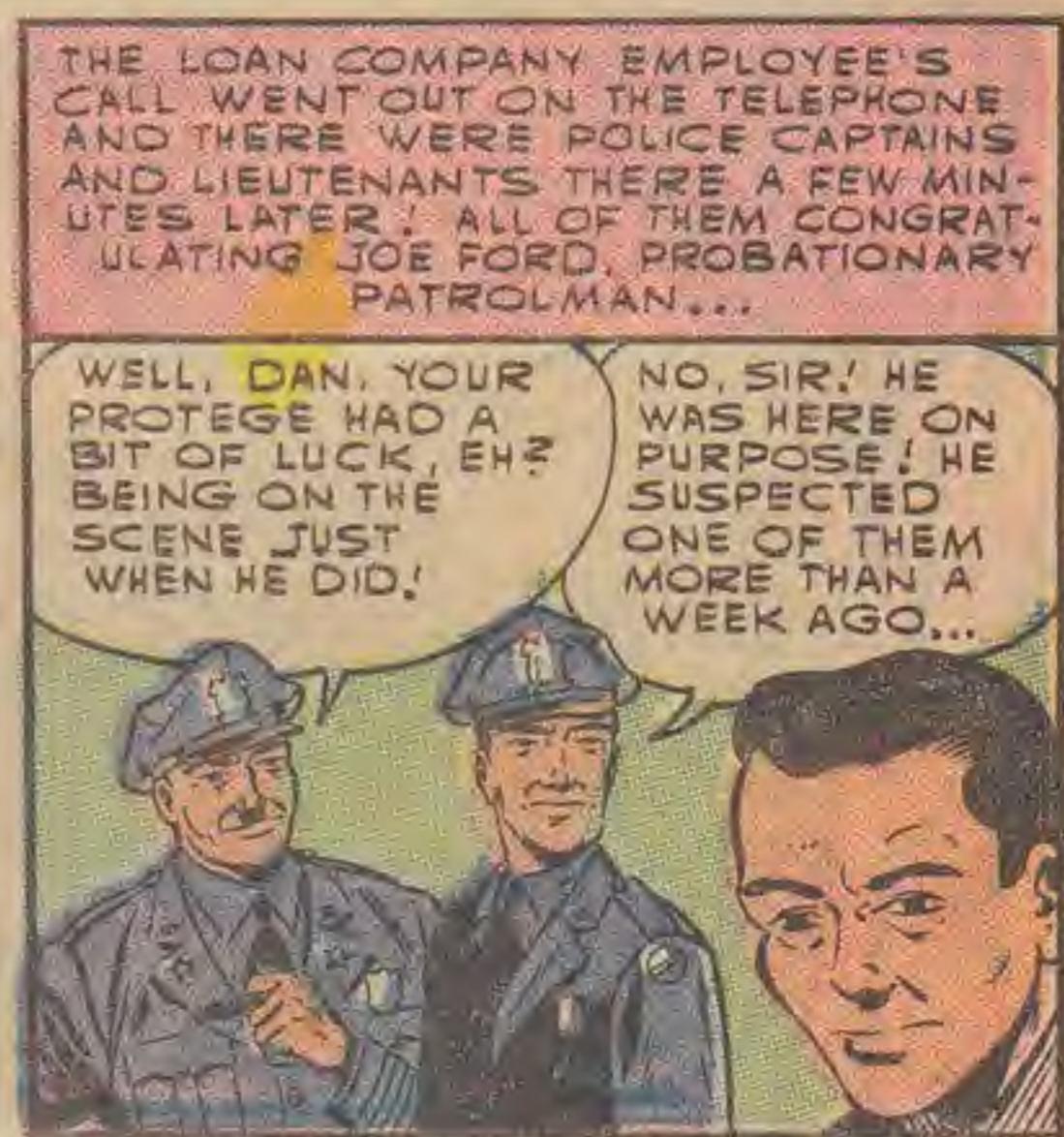
YEP, AND I'LL BUY COFFEE LATER IF YOU DON'T LAUGH!



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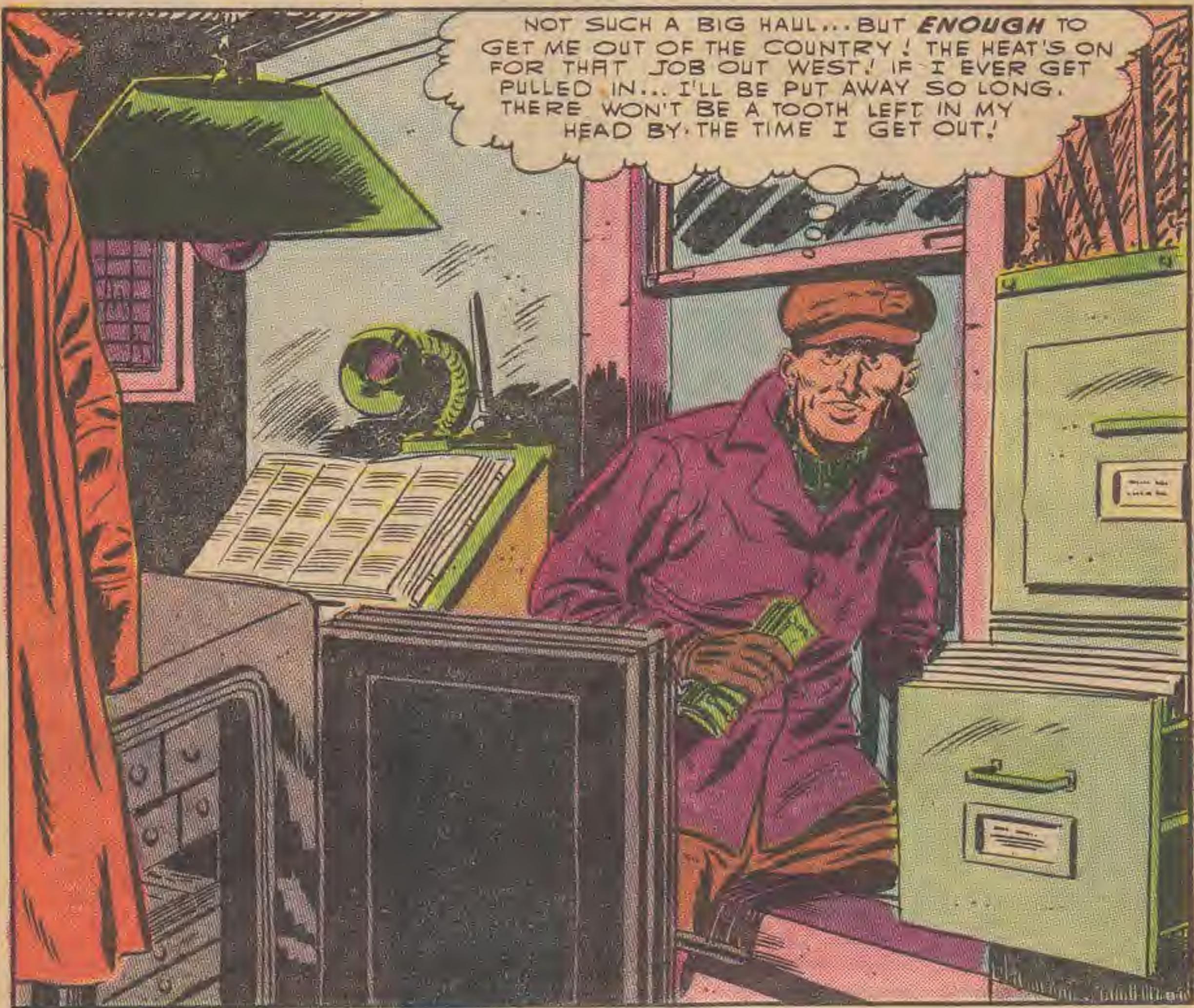


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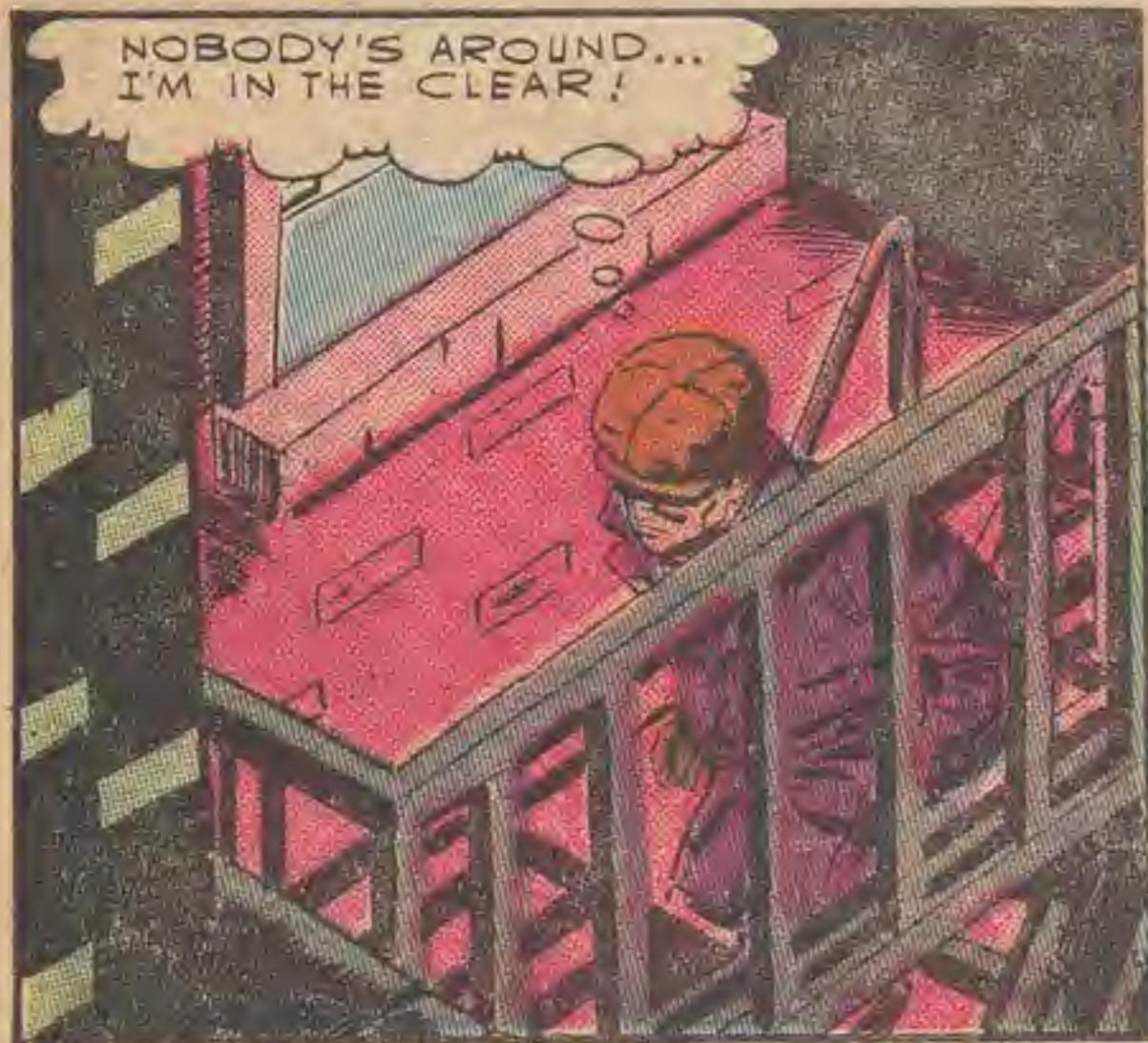
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LATE TOUR

NOT SUCH A BIG HAUL... BUT ENOUGH TO GET ME OUT OF THE COUNTRY! THE HEAT'S ON FOR THAT JOB OUT WEST! IF I EVER GET PULLED IN... I'LL BE PUT AWAY SO LONG. THERE WON'T BE A TOOTH LEFT IN MY HEAD BY THE TIME I GET OUT!



NOBODY'S AROUND...
I'M IN THE CLEAR!



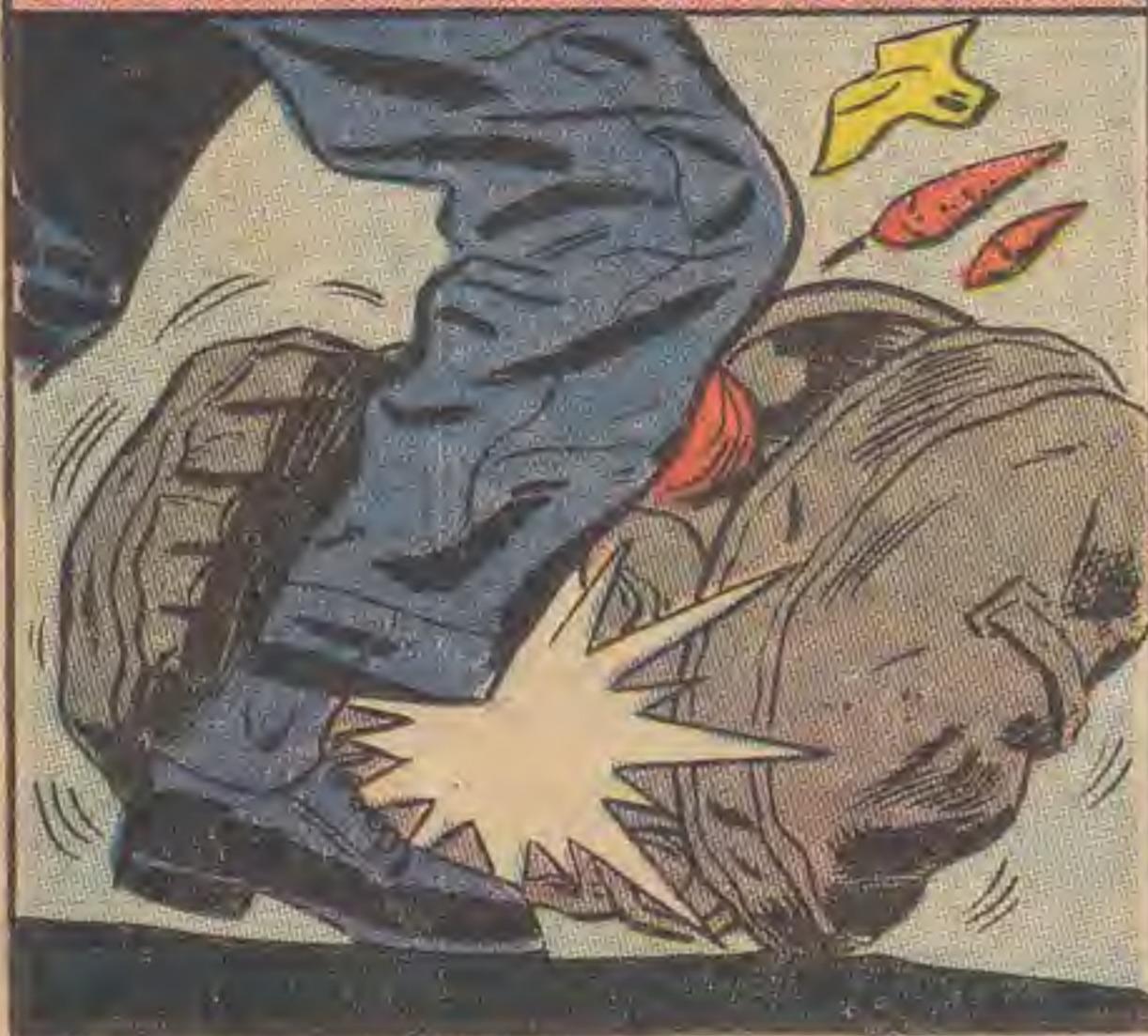
AT THAT MOMENT, IN THE ALLEY BELOW...

HEY ?!



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AS THE YOUNG ROOKIE RUSHES FORWARD...



NOW THE TWO ARE FACING EACH OTHER--
THE HARDENED CRIMINAL WHO FACES A
LONG PRISON TERM IF HE'S PULLED IN,
AND THE ROOKIE FRESH OUT OF THE
POLICE ACADEMY. AND SUDDENLY THE
CRIMINAL GASPS STARTLEDLY...



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THAT'S THE TRUTH, JOHNNIE -- HONEST! GO AHEAD, SEARCH ME! I NEVER OWNED A GUN IN MY LIFE! AND YOU'LL SEE -- THERE'S NOT A CENT IN MY POCKETS! JOHNNIE, PLEASE DON'T PULL ME IN! REMEMBER THE GOOD OLD DAYS WHEN WE WERE KIDS?

THOSE HIKES WE USED TO GO ON TOGETHER...

WHEW! THIS LOAD'S HEAVY!

WE'RE ALMOST HOME! JUST A FEW MORE MILES, JOHNNY... AND YOU'LL BE ABLE TO TELL EVERYBODY HOW YOU CARRIED THE STUFF ALL THE WAY -- HOW STRONG YOU ARE!

Y-YOU SAY YOU HADN'T BROKEN IN YET WHEN I SAW YOU?

HONEST, JOHNNIE! HONEST...

THE SUCKER'S HOLSTERING HIS GUN! HE BELIEVES ME! WHAT A BREAK -- BUNKING INTO HIM... NOT AN OLDER COP WITH MORE KNOW-HOW!

I'VE BEEN STRAIGHT ALL MY LIFE, JOHNNIE! YOU REMEMBER ME! I ALWAYS CUT CORNERS, BUT DEEP DOWN I'VE ALWAYS BEEN A RIGHT GUY!

IT'S NEVER BEEN EASY FOR ME! TRAVELED AROUND A LOT... BUT COULDN'T SETTLE DOWN ANYWHERE! ONE ROTTEN BREAK KEPT PILING ON TOP OF ANOTHER! BUT TONIGHT WAS THE FIRST TIME I EVER EVEN THOUGHT OF PULLING A JOB! JOHNNIE -- I-I PROMISE I'LL HOP RIGHT BACK ONTO THE STRAIGHT AND NARROW!

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I'M GLAD YOU CAME WHEN YOU DID! IT SAVED ME... IT MADE ME SEE HOW CRAZY I WAS! I'LL START ALL OVER AGAIN NOW... MAYBE EVEN TRY TO GET INTO THE FORCE! WE'LL BE TOGETHER AGAIN, HUH--JOHNNIE?

WHY DOESN'T HE SAY SOMETHING? WHY DOESN'T HE...
HEY! I DIDN'T FOOL HIM! HE'S...

...REACHING FOR HIS GUN!
CAN'T LET HIM PULL THAT GUN!!



FOR A LONG TIME, THEY STRUGGLE IN THE SHADOWS...



THEN...

OKAY--I KNOW I'M LICKED! THOUGHT I HAD YOU FOOLED. BUT YOU WERE TOO HEP! BET YOU KNEW ALL ALONG ABOUT MY RECORD! GO AHEAD, HERO-- PULL ME IN!



WANT TO KNOW SOMETHING? YOU DID HAVE ME FOOLED! THAT WAS MY WALLET I WAS REACHING FOR! NOT MY GUN! I WAS GOING TO STAKE YOU TO A TEN-SPOT! BUT NOW I'LL STAKE YOU TO SOMETHING ELSE-- ROOM AND BOARD, FREE OF CHARGE! ONLY, THERE ARE BARS ON THE WINDOWS! LET'S GET A MOVE ON, SUCKER!



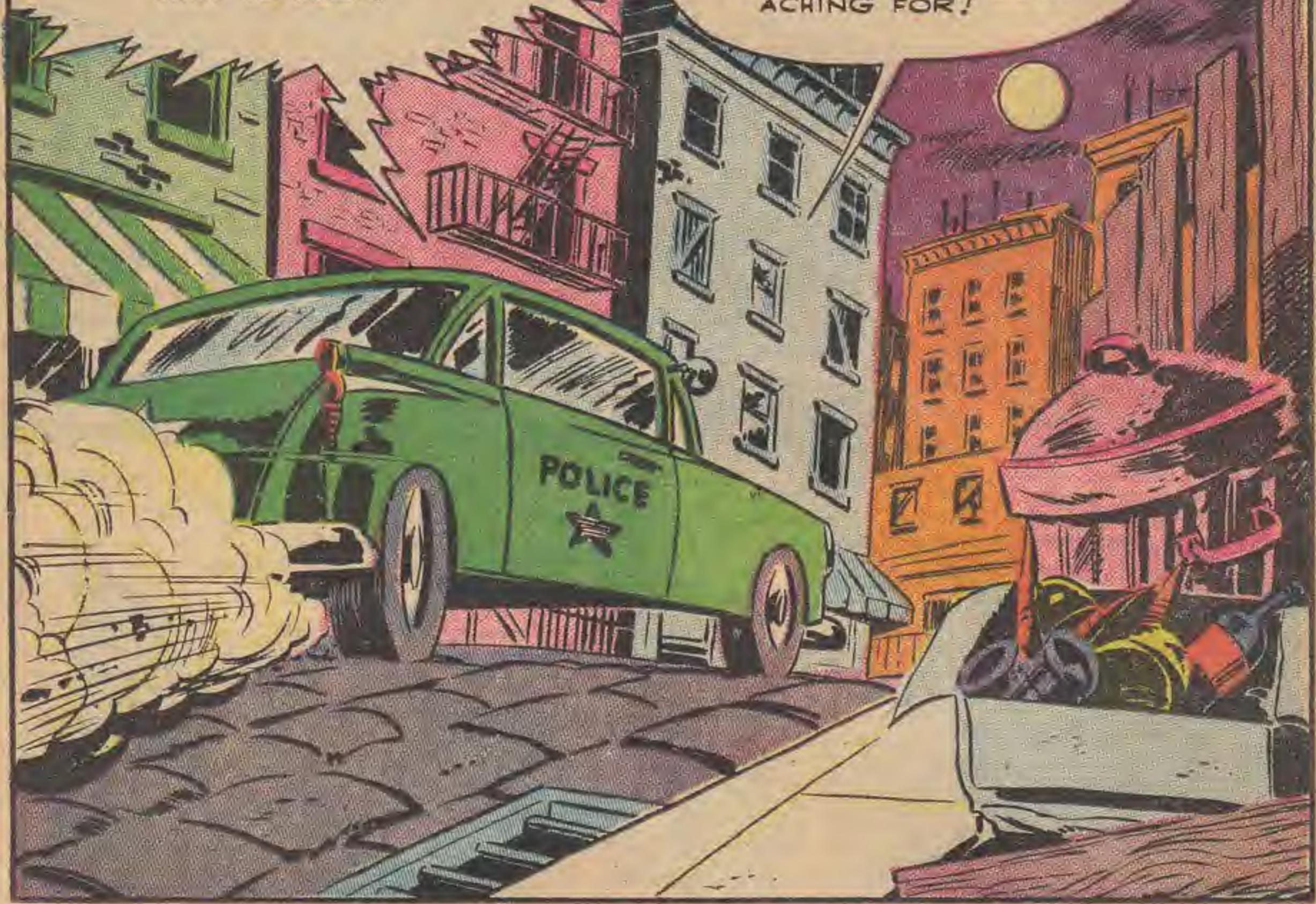
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SIGNAL 32

SIGNAL 32 AT NYLAND
AND HOWELL STREETS!
SIGNAL 32... PROCEED
WITH CAUTION! INVESTIGATE!
THAT IS ALL!!

HEAR THAT, STEVE ? 32...
THAT'S GENERAL EMERGENCY!
COULD BE THIS IS THE SPOT
OF ACTION YOUR EAGER
YOUNG HEART'S BEEN
ACHING FOR!



HMPF... FAT CHANCE, BARNEY!
I'VE BEEN ON MORE THAN A DOZEN
32'S SINCE I GOT OUT OF THE
ACADEMY ! AND THE BIGGEST
DEAL OF ALL WAS A CAT
STUCK UP IN A TREE !

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"DON'T ACHE FOR IT," THE MAN SAYS! WOULDN'T I STOP ACHING IF I COULD? BUT A GUY HAS TO KNOW THE ANSWER ONCE AND FOR ALL! THE **QUESTION-MARK**'S BEEN BURNING INSIDE OF ME EVER SINCE...

...THAT DAY NEAR INCHON...

THAT'S BIG STUFF THEY'RE POURING IN! WONDER HOW JOE'S MAKING OUT...



A FEW MINUTES LATER...

STEVE -- I'M HIT! HELP ME, STEVE! HELP ME...

SURE, JOE! SURE...



I'D YELLED TO JOE THAT I WAS COMING FOR HIM! SO **WHY** COULDN'T I MOVE? WHAT WAS HOLDING ME BACK...

NEXT THING I KNOW, I WAS BACK AT THE AID STATION...



THAT WAS WHEN THE **QUESTION-MARK** STARTED BURNING INSIDE OF ME! THE BRAIN-DOC SPOTTED IT! HE TRIED TO WASH IT AWAY WITH SOFT-SORP...

THAT WASN'T YOUR FAULT, STEVE! THAT MINUTE YOU WAITED, YOU WERE JUST GETTING UP STEAM TO GO TO JOE! BUT THEN--**PLOP**--THE MORTAR SHELL HIT YOU!

NO, DOC! YOU'RE PAINTING THE PICTURE TOO PRETTY, YOU'RE WRONG!



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A REGIMENT OF MEDICS COULDN'T HAVE MADE ME FEEL DIFFERENT! NOT WITH WORDS! I HAD TO TEST MYSELF IN ACTION! THERE WAS NO OTHER WAY TO ANSWER THE \$64 QUESTION! DO I HAVE GUTS OR NOT? AND THAT'S WHY AFTER MY DISCHARGE...

THE POLICE FORCE! THAT'S WHERE I'LL FIND ACTION...



SNAP OUT OF IT, STEVE! THIS IS NYLAND AND HOWELL!

HUH... OH, YEAH--THIS IS IT, THE 32! AND WHAT'D I TELL YOU? HEAR WHAT'S GOING ON? SOME BIG DEAL--BARKING DOGS DISTURBING CITIZEN'S SLEEP!



LET'S GO, STEVE! WHAT-EVER IT IS... IT'S OUR JOB TO HANDLE IT!

I'M STAY-ING PUT! I'M FED UP WITH THIS PEA-NUT STUFF! GO AHEAD--BARNEY, YOU BE THE HERO! YOU THROW THEM SOME DOG BISCUITS!



THAT LAD NEEDS A TALKING TO! WHEN WE'RE THROUGH HERE, I'LL TAKE THE WIND OUT OF HIS SAILS!



HEY... THERE'RE NOT JUST BARKING DOGS... THEY'RE WILD ONES!



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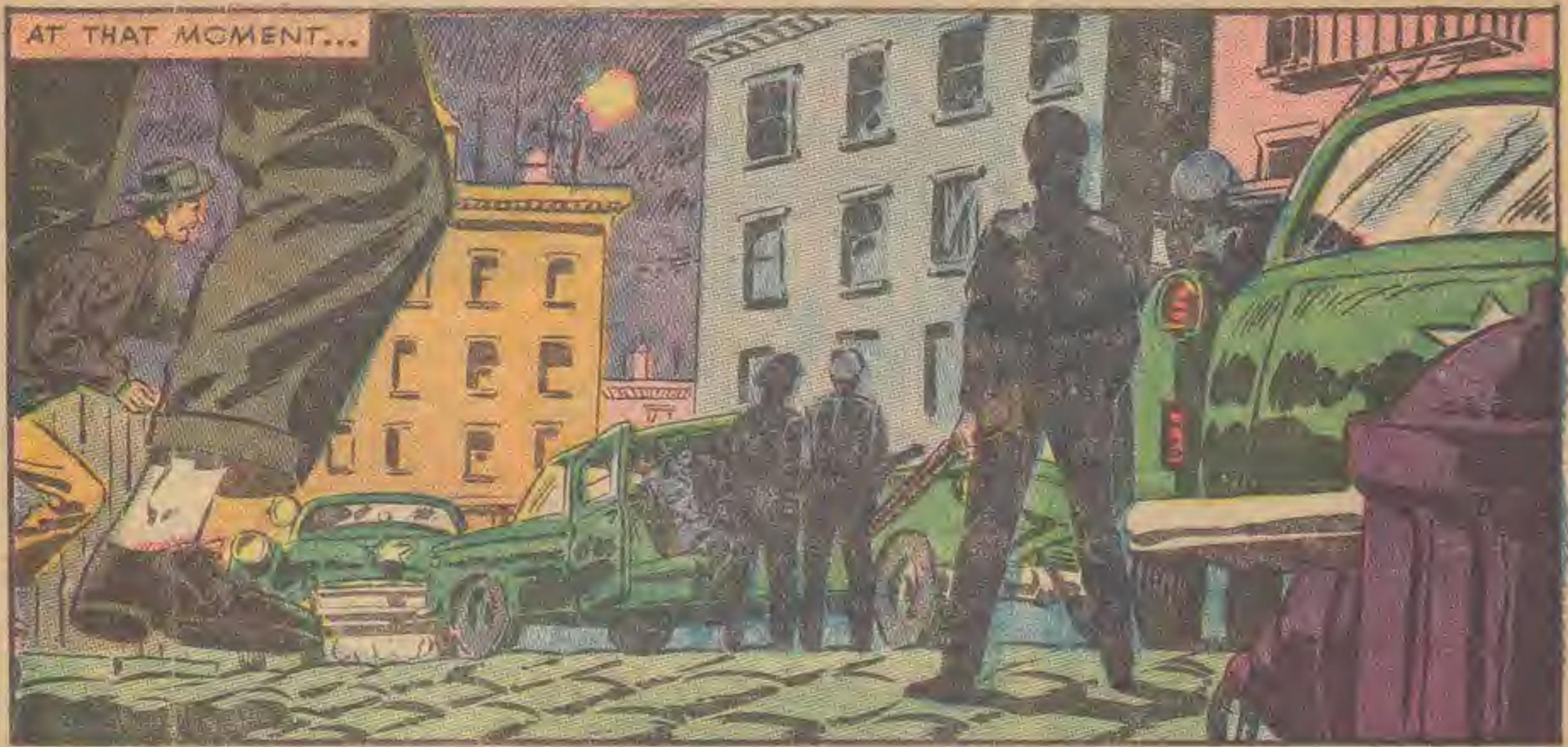
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HEAD BACK FOR THE CAR, BARNEY, AND CALL FOR HELP! I'LL STAY PUT AND KEEP YOU COVERED!



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AT THAT MOMENT...



UP THERE!
THAT'S WHERE
SHOOTING
CAME FROM!

I'LL PUT
THE SPOT-
LIGHT ON
THEM --
STEVE! YOU
GIVE THEIR
TEAR DUCTS
A WORKOUT!

COPS!
MILLIONS
OF (CHOKE)
COPS!

CAN'T (CHOKE)
SEE!

LATER... FUNNY HOW
THINGS WORK
OUT! THEY WERE
RUNNING A **COUNTER-**
FEITING PLANT HERE...
AND THOSE DOGS LAPPED
UP SOME OF THE **PRINT-**
ING JUICE! THAT'S WHAT
DROVE THE DOGS HAYWIRE,
AND WHEN BARNEY AND
STEVE SHOWED UP ON THE
32, ONE OF THE COUNTER-
FEITERS PANICKED!
BARNEY AND STEVE
CAME THROUGH LIKE
CHAMPS! THE GANG'LL
BE SENT AWAY FOR
A LONG, LONG
TIME! GOOD
WORK, BOYS!

THANKS,
SER-
GEANT!



LATER...

WELL, STEVE,
HOW DO YOU
FEEL NOW?
STILL ACHING
FOR ACTION?

NOT ANY MORE--NOW
THAT I KNOW I CAN
HANDLE IT--LIKE YOU
SAID BEFORE,
BARNEY, IN OUR
LINE OF WORK,
IT'LL COME
**WITHOUT
ACHING
FOR IT!**

THE END

THE TIGER'S BROTHER

The slouching detective standing at the corner of Walnut and Voorhies Avenue stared impassively at the four young punks on the opposite corner. They were garbed in rainbow hues, bright red shirts, gaudy green trousers and suede shoes. And their hair was as carefully marcelled as a bride's.

They looked like sissies, he thought bitterly, but actually they reminded him of the stealthy, brightly colored tigers and leopards in the jungle. Gaudy or not, they were deadly in their gang fights, deadlier when they selected a victim to rob. Inside the tailored shirts he might find a knife or a gun and beneath their shirts, in their hearts, the will to use them!

One obviously led the rest. His jacket was the brightest, his hair the longest, and his slim, hard face the handsomest. And his heart was the blackest! He was Rocky Bennet, the Tiger's brother. And the Tiger was in Sing Sing waiting for the chair with the metal straps and the fatal electrodes.

First grade detective Anthony Lorrio got both feet under him and angled across the street toward the group. He didn't have any charges against them even though he was sure Bennet's gang was behind the recent wave of holdups in his district. They waited and Lorrio wished bitterly that one of them would scurry off or try to evade him but all four stood their ground.

Rocky eyed him stonily, his heavily tanned face impassive. Lorrio went through the group making them give way, then he turned suddenly and faced Rocky Bennet.

"I was up to see the Tiger, Rocky. He said to give you his regards. And to tell you to keep your nose clean so you don't get a cell next to his."

"That's a lie, Lorrio. The Tiger doesn't talk to cops! Hay, lay off!" He said the last as Tony suddenly pinned him against the wall and expertly ran his hands over his jacket, beneath his arms and down his thighs. Then he laughed. "You thought you'd get me on a Sullivan rap? I'm not that stupid!"

Tony Lorrio looked at him wearily, then stepped back a little and talked to all of them. "I'm not trying to 'get' anyone! I'm doing my job of protecting the public — and I'm also trying to keep you fatheads from getting into trouble. Bad trouble, like the kind the Tiger has!"

One of them, Carlos O'Brien, laughed cynically. "You're just trying to get a pinch, Lorrio. You're after us to make the headlines, bringing in Tiger Bennet's old gang."

They turned and followed Rocky Bennet down the street and Lorrio felt a thousand years old as he watched four young men in their early twenties walking toward a life of destruction and misery. He lit the last of his cigarettes and headed back to the squad precinct.

At the squadroom, Tony sought out Artie Fives, the inspector of their district. Artie was a blocky man of medium height and his tie was as neat as it had been that morning and his white shirt unwrinkled, unsoiled. He grinned at Tony's slouch and waved him to a scarred chair across the plain table from him.

"You look as though your wife lost the rent money on the horses, Tony," he laughed. "Sit down and forget the crumbs you deal with all day."

Tony Lorrio didn't return the smile. He felt far from happy. Some of the cops he knew could leave their jobs when they finished but Tony always had the million details in the back of his mind. He slumped in a chair and futilely hunted a cigarette till Artie offered him one and he lit it..

"Who is it, Tony? The Bennet gang?"

Tony nodded and took a deep drag. "Those guys are headed for trouble, Artie. They're working their way up into the bigger jobs."

Artie nodded. Edson was the office guard who'd courageously tried to stop the three armed young men who had held up the com-

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pany. He'd never seen the fourth in the corner who had coolly snapped the shot that hit him in the shoulder.

"You can't change the world, Tony. All we can do is keep poking and prying and hope we'll get them before they kill someone. What else can you do? You got no other way to do it."

Tony sighed and slid down further on his spine. "The only one who can help us was the worst of the bunch. If Tiger Bennet would only soften up, he might be able to help."

Fives thought about it awhile. "We've frisked them a hundred times. If only we could hang a small rap on one or more of them, we might throw a scare into the others. Look, Tony. They always have a gun somewhere within reach. If we could only catch them with one, we'd have our leverage."

Tony thought about it, eyes half closed against the curling smoke. "I'm going up to see Bennet tomorrow. The execution is in three days so maybe the prison chaplain has cracked his shell."

Larrio was gone for two days. He was back in the precinct on the eve of the execution of the Tiger. Artie Fives found him in his chair in the squad room at headquarters.

"Any luck, Tony? I hope you found something because I'm pretty sure it's the Bennet gang who's been pulling a string of liquor store hold-ups."

"I think I can get 'em all, Artie. Do you want to work with me tonight? I'll fill you in with what I've got on the way."

They used Artie's car, not known to the four hoodlums and parked near Voorhies Ave. The hoodlums were assembling, three of them on the corner but now dressed in less conspicuous clothes.

Then Rocky appeared and they went into a huddle. They chatted and then hailed a cab. A girl Artie had not noticed before watched them leave before she went to the bus stop and boarded the next bus uptown. Artie looked at Tony. "She the one? Ellen Ward?"

"She's the one, Artie. A nice clean looking kid who thinks the sun rises when Rocky snaps his fingers. We'll tail her. She's our key now, Artie."

They tailed the bus until the girl got off in

the mid-town area. In her crisp tailored suit, carrying a knitting reticule, she looked like any other office worker who had worked late that evening.

"Park the car, Artie. I can't afford to take a chance on losing her. She's probably headed for the Central Liquor store in the next block."

Tony lounged in a doorway and watched the girl slowly drift down the block, window-shopping and glancing often at her watch. Artie came about a hundred feet behind trying to look like an idle stroller.

Then Tony tensed. Rocky Bennet appeared, looked around, then made a signal to the others around the corner. They came around casually just as the girl neatly timed her arrival at the entrance to the store.

Artie was moving faster now, but wasn't close enough to scare them. Tony started across the street watching the four file by the girl. She had removed the top of the straw basket and, as the quartet passed her, each of them dipped a hand in and took a gun. It was quick and the guns were quickly palmed but Tony saw every movement in the brightly lighted doorway.

He broke into a run then and brushed past the girl. She was startled and started to yell when Artie Fives got to her. "Shut up, lady. If you warn them, someone's going to get hurt. And it might be your precious Rocky!"

He got inside just as Tony used his blackjack on the forearm of Rocky Bennet and covered the others with his gun in his left hand. The three turned slowly and Rocky grew scarlet with rage.

"Somebody ratting! How'd you know Ellen carried the guns?"

Tony grinned. "Somebody did rat, Rocky. How many knew about the girl's part of the job. You and one other!"

They looked at each other, then Rocky got it. "You're a liar! The only other one who knew about it was"

"Tiger Bennet! I finally convinced him that the Death House was no place for his kid brother! Maybe you boys'll have sense by the time you get out!"

THE END

BADGE OF JUSTICE

THEY CALLED HIM RUGGIES

... BUT NOT EVERYONE THOUGHT BIG JOE CARRIGAN WAS A TOUGH COP! FOR EVERY PUNK IN PRISON WHO SAYS CARRIGAN WOULD ARREST HIS OWN BROTHER, THERE'S ONE OUTSIDE WHO CLAIMS THE FIRST GRADE DETECTIVE IS THE NICEST GUY IN THE WORLD! THE VAUGHAN FACTORY STICK-UP WAS A PERFECT ILLUSTRATION OF HOW CARRIGAN OPERATED ...



BADGE OF JUSTICE

CARRIGAN KNEW THE MEN IN HIS PRECINCT WHO HAD TO BE WATCHED. DIGS VICCIO AND HOWIE LANSON WERE TWO HE KEPT NOTES ON...

DON'T RUSH OFF, DIGS! YOU ACT AS IF YOU DON'T LIKE MY COMPANY ANYMORE!

LAY OFF ME, CARRIGAN! WE DONE OUR TIME! WE'RE NOT ON PAROLE ANY MORE, EITHER!

LOOK, WISE-GUY! I KNOW A WRONG GUY WHEN I SEE ONE... AND YOU'RE ROTTEN THROUGH AND THROUGH! IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME TILL YOU PULL SOMETHING AGAIN!

WE'RE ON THE LEGIT NOW, MR. CARRIGAN. HONEST!

I HOPE YOU ARE, LANSON! BUT I'LL KEEP WATCHING, JUST IN CASE!



THAT'S CARRIGAN'S JOB... WATCHING THE TROUBLE SPOTS, TRY TO ANTICIPATE THE TROUBLE BEFORE IT HAPPENS...

MAN, I'D LOVE TO HAVE CARRIGAN AT THE BUSINESS END OF A ROSCOE!

NOT ME! I DON'T WANT ANYTHING TO DO WITH HIM! HE'S POISON!

NEVER MIND CARRIGAN, DEAL THE CARDS! YOU TWO HAVE WON A LOT OF DOUGH FROM ME!



THAT BOSS OF MINE! HE WALKS AROUND WITH TEN, TWELVE GRAND ON HIM LIKE IT WAS PAPER...

AND ALL I NEED IS A MEASLY FEW HUNDRED BUCKS...

SO HE CARRIES HEAVY DOUGH? WHEN?



BADGE OF JUSTICE

HE PICKS UP THE PAYROLL MONEY ON FRIDAY HIMSELF! AFTER LUNCH, HE STOPS IN AT THE BANK AND... SAY, WHY DO YOU WANT TO KNOW THAT?

JUST CURIOUS, THAT'S ALL! C'MON, PLAY THE HAND!

IDLE CURIOUSITY WASN'T ONE OF DIGS VICCIO'S HABITS! HE AND HOWIE LANSOON WERE GETTING RESTLESS WORKING FOR A LIVING...

THERE'S VAUGHN WITH THE PAYROLL NOW! IF I HAD A HEATER ON ME, I'D BE TEMPTED TO MAKE A SCORE!

YEAH! THEN WE'D BE LISTENING TO THE JUDGE THE SAME DAY! CARRIGAN WOULD LOVE THAT!



I KNOW THAT! WHAT WE GOT TO DO IS FIGURE OUT A WAY TO MAKE THE TAKE AND HAVE TIME TO MAKE OURSELVES GOOD AND SCARCE! I WONDER HOW WE CAN DO IT!

TOO BAD BINDER ISN'T IN WITH US, ISN'T IT?

GETTING BINDER TO COOPERATE DIDN'T PROVE TO BE MUCH OF A PROBLEM--ESPECIALLY AFTER HE LOST FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS MORE IN THE SHADY POKER GAME...

THAT'S ALL THE MONEY I HAD--AND I NEEDED IT TO PAY BACK-PAYMENTS ON MY HOUSE! I'LL NEVER GET OUT OF HOCK!

HOW BAD DO YOU WANT TO GET OUT OF THE RED?

I... I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO SAY! YOU WANT TO ROB MR. VAUGHN, DON'T YOU? T- THAT WOULDN'T BE RIGHT. HE MIGHT GET KILLED OR HURT! I CAN'T DO IT!

US HURT MR. VAUGHN? AW, DAVE, WE'D JUST GRAB THE MONEY AND RUN, THAT'S ALL! YOU'D GET YOUR SHARE AND NO ONE WOULD EVER KNOW YOU WERE IN ON IT!

YOU PROMISE? I'VE GOT TO DO SOMETHING TO PAY MY DEBTS!



BADGE OF JUSTICE

WHAT WE NEED TO KNOW IS WHEN VAUGHAN WILL HAVE A REAL BUNDLE ON HIM! AND YOU'VE GOT TO GET US IN HIS OFFICE TO MAKE THE SCORE! CAN YOU DO IT?

THE OFFICE WILL BE EMPTY AT LUNCH TIME! B-BUT I DON'T WANT TO GET IN TROUBLE OR HAVE MR. VAUGHAN GET HURT!

RELAX, DAVE, IT'LL GO SMOOTH AS SILK! INCIDENTALLY, UNTIL AFTER THE JOB, DON'T LET CARRIGAN SEE YOU IN OUR COMPANY!

ALL RIGHT, DIGS, I'LL BE CAREFUL!



FRIDAY,
THE
EIGHTEENTH
OF MAY,
WAS
PICKED
FOR THE
VAUGHAN
JOB! A
PHONE
CALL
ALERTED
VICCIO
AND
LANSOON
IN THE
MORNING...

MR. SMITH? THAT SHIPMENT IS DUE AT A QUARTER TO ONE THIS AFTERNOON! WILL YOU PICK IT UP?

YEAH, WE'LL GET IT, MR. BINDER! AND RELAX OR SOMEBODY WILL SUSPECT SOMETHING'S WRONG! I CAN HEAR YOU SHIVERING FROM HERE!



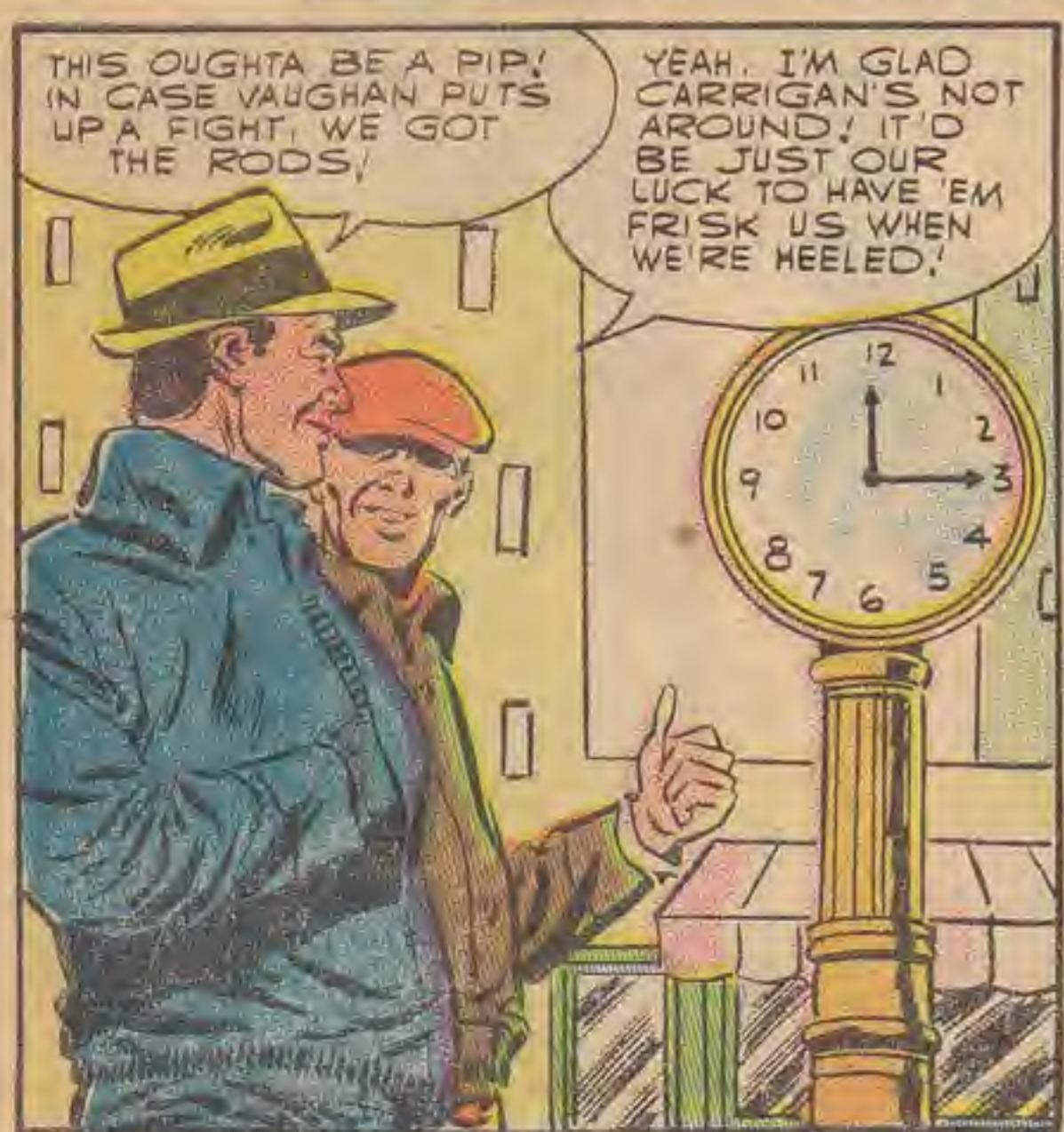
THIS OUGHTA BE A PIP! IN CASE VAUGHAN PUTS UP A FIGHT, WE GOT THE RODS!

YEAH, I'M GLAD CARRIGAN'S NOT AROUND! IT'D BE JUST OUR LUCK TO HAVE 'EM FRISK US WHEN WE'RE HEELED!

BUT THE BIG DETECTIVE DIDN'T MEET THEM! HE CAME INTO SIGHT AT A QUARTER TO ONE...

HOW'S THE WIFE, CHARLIE? IT'S PRETTY QUIET TODAY! I DON'T EVEN SEE THOSE TWO BEAUTIES VICCIO AND LANSOON AROUND!

THEY WERE, THOUGH, THEY WALKED DOWN TOWARD THE VAUGHAN PLANT!



BADGE OF JUSTICE

THE VAUGHAN PLANT? COME TO THINK OF IT, THEY'VE BEEN HANGING AROUND WITH THAT BOOKKEEPER OVER THERE! HMM... GUESS I'LL TAKE A WALK DOWN THAT WAY!

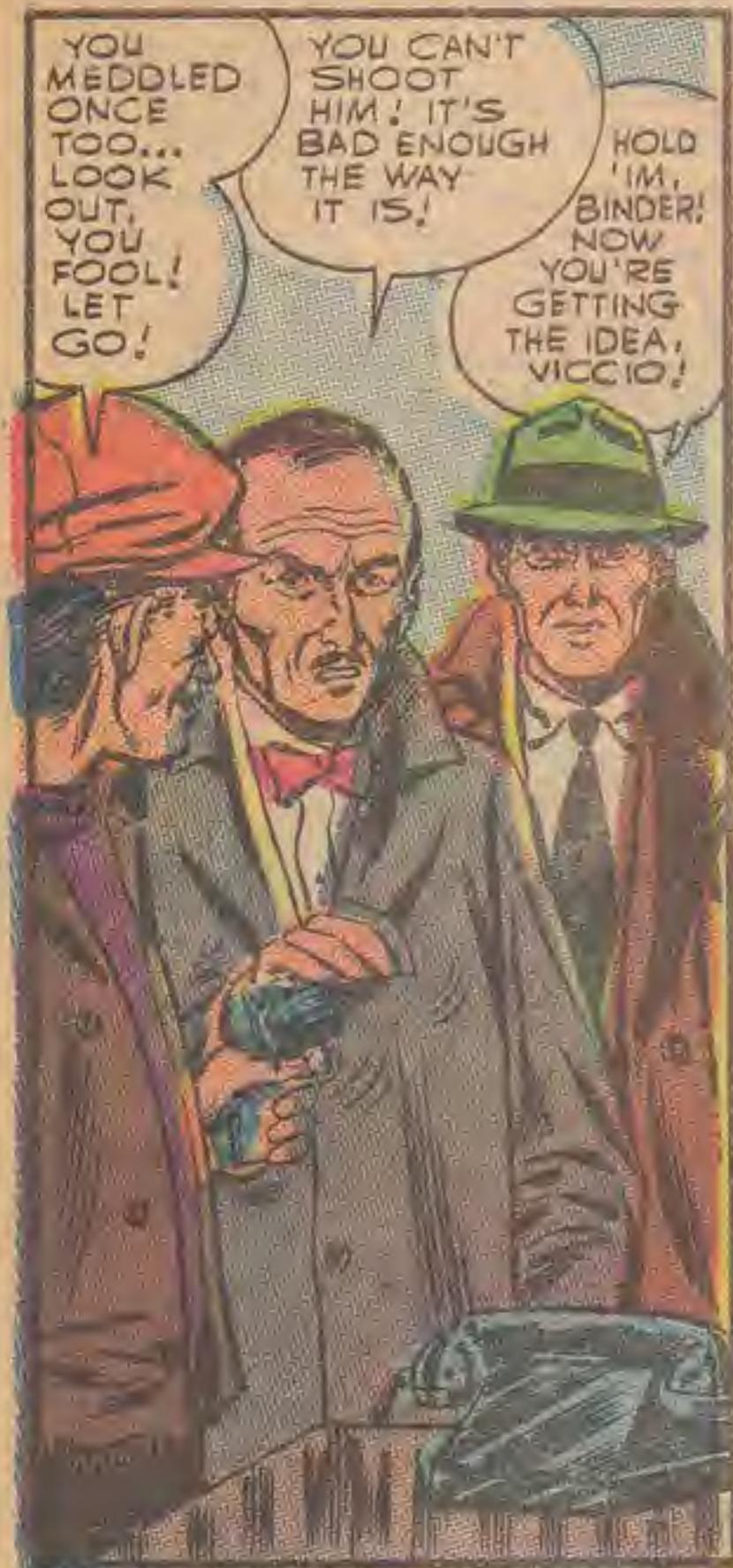
YOU'VE GOT A SUSPICIOUS MIND, JOE-- BUT GOOD HUNTING!

CARRIGAN FOUND THE VAUGHAN OFFICE QUIET... BUT LIKE MANY VETERAN COPS, HE HAD A SIXTH SENSE...

SEEMS OKAY! I THINK I'LL JUST PARK MYSELF HERE A WHILE THOUGH! VAUGHAN IS DUE BACK SOON ANYWAY!



BADGE OF JUSTICE



THE END

BADGE OF JUSTICE

THE BIG WHEEL OF BLEEKER STREET

YOU HAVE TO WATCH YOUR STEP ON YOUR NEW BEAT, BRONSKY! THERE'RE SOME VERY TENDER TOES ON BLEEKER STREET FOR YOU NOT TO STEP ON!

I'LL DO MY JOB, SERGEANT... NO MORE AND NO LESS!

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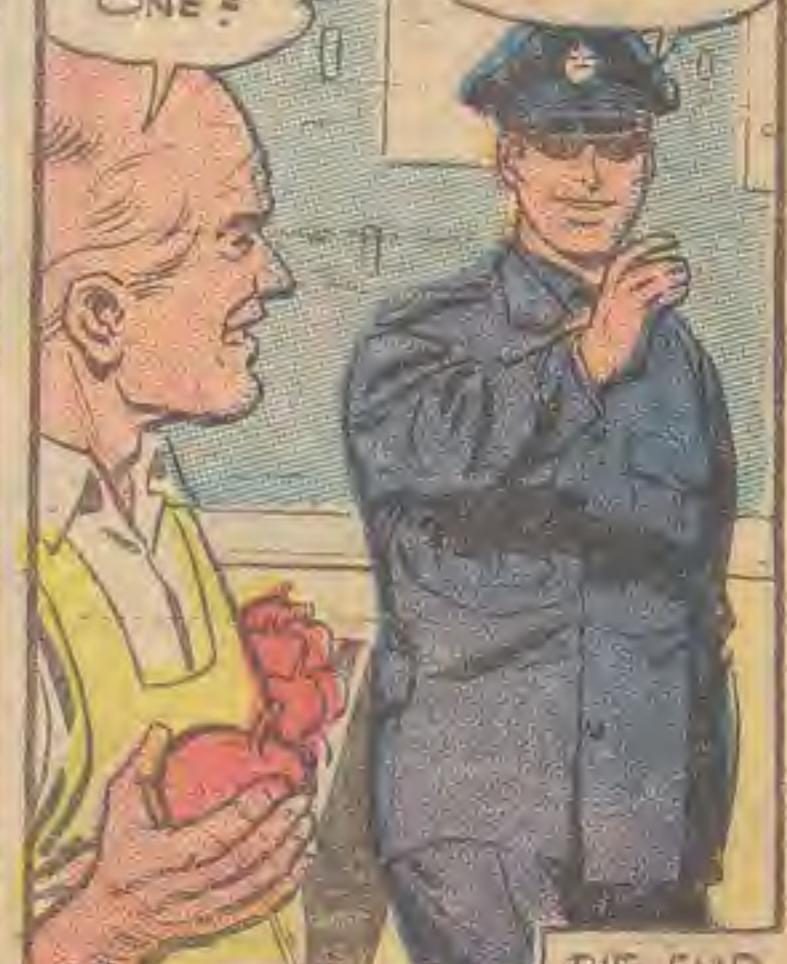
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